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Report of: ROBERT P. GEMBERLING Officer: Dallas
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Field Office File No.: 100-10461 Bureau File No.: 100-38861
Title: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA - CUBA

Synopsis:

Identity of individual resembling OSWALD as seen in several magazine and newspaper photographs as seen in doorway on the left at Texas School Book Company at time of assassination established as BILLIE RICHARDSON, employee of TSB. Additional assassination witness interviewed who heard shots but did not observe who fired from which shots fired. Movie camera of OSWALD used by him in taking pictures of Presidential motorcade obtained for examination by FBI Laboratory. RICHARDSON reinterviewed to clarify alleged statement attributed to him that OSWALD had not assassinated President KENNEDY and he furnished signed statement that any statements and by him to this effect were merely expressions of his opinion. Additional efforts to trace ammunition and sling for rifle were negative. No general legislation law pertaining to firearms in state of Texas and city of Dallas uses same of rifle with respect to sale, acquisition and registration of all types of firearms. Three .38 mm. slides originating from TSB at Texas School Company retained. Two Russian language portraits and two photographs of unknown buildings found in Russian language book at residence of Mrs. MARK RICHARDSON, Irving, Texas, obtained. Significance of "no assassination" sign found in search at RICHARDSON residence unknown. Two cameras found in search identified as Contax-2, serial number 627266, and Stereo Realist, serial number A80379. Minom light meter also taken in search.

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Mrs. PAINE made available Minox III camera, serial number 27259, belonging to her husband. Mr. and Mrs. PAINE after viewing photographs state Stereo Realist camera and Minox light meter appeared to be property of MICHAEL PAINE. Mrs. PAINE unable to recall significance of "OCT 23" notation appearing on March page of calendar made available by her. States she made notation on March page of calendar concerning OSWALD's purchase of rifle after assassination when she learned he had purchased rifle March 20, 1963. States she and MARINA OSWALD had never had discussion about OSWALD having rifle. Typewriter specimens taken from Mrs. PAINE's Smith-Corona portable typewriter, serial number 4A 303942. FBI Laboratory examination of additional evidence fails to reflect any information indicating possible use in espionage. Articles of clothing belonging to OSWALD made available by his brother, ROBERT, examined. Two letters from Russia dated 9/9/63, and 10/28/63, written in English, addressed to OSWALD, obtained from Dallas PD. ALBERT GUY BOGARD advised he was positive he made demonstration ride of an automobile to an individual he believed to be OSWALD on 11/9/63, and states he is sure of date because car demonstrated available for his use only on that date. Previous interviews of Mrs. PAINE have indicated OSWALD did not leave PAINE residence for period of time long enough for him to have taken demonstration ride on 11/9/63. Two individuals positively identified photograph of OSWALD as person leaving area where Dallas Police officer J. D. TIPPIT was shot. Toll calls charged to BL 3-1628, Irving, Texas, reflect only one call between this number and CR 5-5211, Arlington, Texas, during period 11/22-26/63, and this call was 11/22/63. LONNIE HUDKINS, reporter for the Houston Post, in Dallas latter part December, 1963, endeavoring to obtain information indicating OSWALD was informant of U. S. Government. HUDKINS's article appearing in Houston Post, 1/1/64, quoted in part in "The Nation" magazine article. Mrs. RUTH PAINE states she gave OSWALD name and office telephone number of SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR., on 11/1/63, but did not give license number of automobile driven by SA HOSTY. She states license number could easily have been observed by MARINA OSWALD from her bedroom. "\$150.00" reportedly found by Police according to "The Nation" article not seized by

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officers during search of PAINE residence as money belonged to MARINA OSWALD and represented savings. WILLIAM W. TURNER alleges in "Saga" magazine article that he was in Dallas on 11/22/63, few hours after assassination. Three Dallas Police officers quoted by him in article do not recall dates they were interviewed by TURNER, or specific details or their remarks to him. One such officer denies making statements attributed to him in the article to the effect the sniper was obviously a stranger. Numerous allegations indicating activities of OSWALD disproved. Additional allegations of acquaintanceship between OSWALD and JACK L. RUBY received and investigation concerning same fails to reflect any such association or acquaintanceship existed. Additional investigation to determine residence of subject during period 10/19-11/3/62, conducted with negative results. Subject determined to have been employed during this period at Dallas. All available clothing of OSWALD obtained from ROBERT OSWALD, brother. Additional data contained in subject's address book reflects name of SA JAMES P. HOSTY under date of 11/1/63. MARINA OSWALD identified handwriting in rough draft letter reflecting OSWALD had been in Mexico City as appearing to be OSWALD's, but denied seeing letter previously. MARINA stated she did not know subject intended to make trip to Mexico in September-October, 1963, nor did she know he had taken such a trip. MARINA stated she and subject owned two cameras; one a Russian camera purchased by subject in Minsk, September, 1961, and the other a U. S. made camera owned by subject prior to his entry into USMC. She identified photograph of two cameras seized in search of PAINE residence as appearing to be the two cameras she and OSWALD owned. Numerous photographs found in personal effects of subject exhibited to MARINA and identifications made on many. Two photographs believed by her to be of General EDWIN A. WALKER's residence in Dallas and physical observation by Agents determined this appears to be true. Mrs. PAINE states that on 11/10/63, she observed letter in English obviously written by subject reflecting he had been in Mexico City recently. She stated she never heard subject say anything about having been to Mexico and MARINA OSWALD never said anything to indicate she was aware of subject's trip to Mexico. This letter reflects information indicating OSWALD in contact with Russian Embassy in Mexico City.

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